

**COUNTY OF MENDOCINO
STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is by and between the COUNTY OF MENDOCINO, hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY", and Mendocino County Resource Conservation District, hereinafter referred to as the "CONTRACTOR".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 31000, COUNTY may retain independent contractors to perform special services to or for COUNTY or any department thereof; and,

WHEREAS, COUNTY desires to obtain CONTRACTOR for its Ukiah Valley Fire Fuels Reduction and Fire Fuel Break Project Management; and,

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR is willing to provide such services on the terms and conditions set forth in this AGREEMENT and is willing to provide same to COUNTY.

NOW, THEREFORE it is agreed that COUNTY does hereby retain CONTRACTOR to provide the services described in Exhibit "A", and CONTRACTOR accepts such engagement, on the General Terms and Conditions hereinafter specified in this Agreement, the Additional Provisions attached hereto, and the following described exhibits, all of which are incorporated into this Agreement by this reference:

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| Exhibit A | Definition of Services |
| Exhibit B | Payment Terms |
| Exhibit C | Insurance Requirements |
| Exhibit D | Mendocino County ePayables Information |
| Exhibit E | Ukiah Valley Fuel Reduction and Fire Break Project Map |

The term of this Agreement shall be from the date this Agreement becomes fully executed by all parties (the "Effective Date"), and shall continue through March 15, 2022.

The compensation payable to CONTRACTOR hereunder shall not exceed one million four hundred forty-three thousand (\$1,443,000) dollars for the term of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

DEPARTMENT FISCAL REVIEW:

[Signature] 10.10.19
DEPARTMENT HEAD DATE

Budgeted: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Budget Unit: 2910

Line Item: 863280

Grant: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Grant No.: 5GG18110

CONTRACTOR/COMPANY NAME

By: Megan McCluer
Date: 10/10/19

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR:

Mendocino County Resource Conservation
District

410 Jones Street, Ste C3

Ukiah, CA 95482

COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

By: [Signature]
CARRE BROWN, Chair
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: OCT 23 2019

By signing above, signatory warrants and represents that he/she executed this Agreement in his/her authorized capacity and that by his/her signature on this Agreement, he/she or the entity upon behalf of which he/she acted, executed this Agreement

ATTEST:

CARMEL J. ANGELO, Clerk of said Board

By: Karla Van Hagen
Deputy
OCT 23 2019

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

CARMEL J. ANGELO, Clerk of said Board

By: Karla Van Hagen
Deputy
OCT 23 2019

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KATHARINE L. ELLIOTT,
County Counsel

By: [Signature]
Deputy

Date: 10/9/2019

INSURANCE REVIEW:

By: [Signature]
Risk Management

Date: 10/10/19

EXECUTIVE OFFICE/FISCAL REVIEW:

By: [Signature]
Deputy CEO

Date: 10/10/19

Signatory Authority: \$0-25,000 Department; \$25,001- 50,000 Purchasing Agent; \$50,001+ Board of Supervisors
Exception to Bid Process Required/Completed ☐
Mendocino County Business License: Valid ☐
Exempt Pursuant to MCC Section: _____

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** No relationship of employer and employee is created by this Agreement; it being understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR is an Independent Contractor. CONTRACTOR is not the agent or employee of the COUNTY in any capacity whatsoever, and COUNTY shall not be liable for any acts or omissions by CONTRACTOR nor for any obligations or liabilities incurred by CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall have no claim under this Agreement or otherwise, for seniority, vacation time, vacation pay, sick leave, personal time off, overtime, health insurance medical care, hospital care, retirement benefits, social security, disability, Workers' Compensation, or unemployment insurance benefits, civil service protection, or employee benefits of any kind.

CONTRACTOR shall be solely liable for and obligated to pay directly all applicable payroll taxes (including federal and state income taxes) or contributions for unemployment insurance or old age pensions or annuities which are imposed by any governmental entity in connection with the labor used or which are measured by wages, salaries or other remuneration paid to its officers, agents or employees and agrees to indemnify and hold County harmless from any and all liability which COUNTY may incur because of CONTRACTOR's failure to pay such amounts.

In carrying out the work contemplated herein, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal and state workers' compensation and liability laws and regulations with respect to the officers, agents and/or employees conducting and participating in the work; and agrees that such officers, agents, and/or employees will be considered as Independent Contractors and shall not be treated or considered in any way as officers, agents and/or employees of COUNTY.

CONTRACTOR does, by this Agreement, agree to perform his/her said work and functions at all times in strict accordance with all applicable federal, state and County laws, including but not limited to prevailing wage laws, ordinances, regulations, titles, departmental procedures and currently approved methods and practices in his/her field and that the sole interest of COUNTY is to ensure that said service shall be performed and rendered in a competent, efficient, timely and satisfactory manner and in accordance with the standards required by the County agency concerned.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the COUNTY determines that pursuant to state and federal law CONTRACTOR is an employee for purposes of income tax withholding, COUNTY may upon two (2) week's written notice to CONTRACTOR, withhold from payments to CONTRACTOR hereunder federal and state income taxes and pay said sums to the federal and state governments.

2. **INDEMNIFICATION:** To the furthest extent permitted by law (including without limitation California Civil Code sections 2782 and 2782.8, if applicable), Contractor shall assume the defense of, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, liabilities, and losses whatsoever alleged to be occurring or resulting in connection with the CONTRACTOR'S performance or its obligations under this AGREEMENT, unless arising out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of COUNTY. "CONTRACTOR'S performance" includes CONTRACTOR'S action or inaction and the action or inaction of CONTRACTOR'S officers, employees, agents and subcontractors.
3. **INSURANCE AND BOND:** CONTRACTOR shall at all times during the term of the Agreement with the COUNTY maintain in force those insurance policies and bonds as designated in the attached Exhibit C, and will comply with all those requirements as stated therein.
4. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION:** CONTRACTOR shall provide Workers' Compensation insurance, as applicable, at CONTRACTOR's own cost and expense and further, neither the CONTRACTOR nor its carrier shall be entitled to recover from COUNTY any costs, settlements, or expenses of Workers' Compensation claims arising out of this Agreement.

CONTRACTOR affirms that s/he is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code which requires every employer to be insured against liability for the Workers' Compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of the Code and CONTRACTOR further assures that s/he will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of work under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall furnish to COUNTY certificate(s) of insurance evidencing Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage to cover its employees, and CONTRACTOR shall require all subcontractors similarly to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of California for all of subcontractors' employees.

5. **CONFORMITY WITH LAW AND SAFETY:**
 - a. In performing services under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall observe and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes and regulations of governmental agencies, including federal, state, municipal, and local governing bodies, having jurisdiction over the scope of services, including all applicable provisions of the California Occupational Safety and Health Act. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold COUNTY harmless from any and all liability, fines, penalties and consequences from any of CONTRACTOR's failures to comply with such laws, ordinances, codes and regulations.

- b. Accidents: If a death, serious personal injury or substantial property damage occurs in connection with CONTRACTOR's performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify Mendocino County Risk Manager's Office by telephone. CONTRACTOR shall promptly submit to COUNTY a written report, in such form as may be required by COUNTY of all accidents which occur in connection with this Agreement. This report must include the following information: (1) name and address of the injured or deceased person(s); (2) name and address of CONTRACTOR's sub-contractor, if any; (3) name and address of CONTRACTOR's liability insurance carrier; and (4) a detailed description of the accident and whether any of COUNTY's equipment, tools, material, or staff were involved.
 - c. CONTRACTOR further agrees to take all reasonable steps to preserve all physical evidence and information which may be relevant to the circumstances surrounding a potential claim, while maintaining public safety, and to grant to the COUNTY the opportunity to review and inspect such evidence, including the scene of the accident.
6. PAYMENT: For services performed in accordance with this Agreement, payment shall be made to CONTRACTOR as provided in Exhibit "B" hereto as funding permits.
- If COUNTY over pays CONTRACTOR for any reason, CONTRACTOR agrees to return the amount of such overpayment to COUNTY, or at COUNTY's option, permit COUNTY to offset the amount of such overpayment against future payments owed to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement or any other agreement.
- In the event CONTRACTOR claims or receives payment from COUNTY for a service, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by COUNTY, State of California or the United States Government, the CONTRACTOR shall promptly refund the disallowance amount to COUNTY upon request, or at its option COUNTY may offset the amount disallowed from any payment due or that becomes due to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement or any other agreement.
- All invoices, receipts, or other requests for payment under this contract must be submitted by CONTRACTOR to COUNTY in a timely manner and consistent with the terms specified in Exhibit B. In no event shall COUNTY be obligated to pay any request for payment for which a written request for payment and all required documentation was first received more than six (6) months after this Agreement has terminated, or beyond such other time limit as may be set forth in Exhibit B.
7. TAXES: Payment of all applicable federal, state, and local taxes shall be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

8. **OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS:** CONTRACTOR hereby assigns the COUNTY and its assignees all copyright and other use rights in any and all proposals, plans, specification, designs, drawings, sketches, renderings, models, reports and related documents (including computerized or electronic copies) respecting in any way the subject matter of this Agreement, whether prepared by the COUNTY, the CONTRACTOR, the CONTRACTOR's subcontractors or third parties at the request of the CONTRACTOR (collectively, "Documents and Materials"). This explicitly includes the electronic copies of all above stated documentation.

CONTRACTOR shall be permitted to retain copies, including reproducible copies and computerized copies, of said Documents and Materials. CONTRACTOR agrees to take such further steps as may be reasonably requested by COUNTY to implement the aforesaid assignment. If for any reason said assignment is not effective, CONTRACTOR hereby grants the COUNTY and any assignee of the COUNTY an express royalty – free license to retain and use said Documents and Materials. The COUNTY's rights under this paragraph shall apply regardless of the degree of completion of the Documents and Materials and whether or not CONTRACTOR's services as set forth in Exhibit "A" of this Agreement have been fully performed or paid for.

The COUNTY's rights under this Paragraph 8 shall not extend to any computer software used to create such Documents and Materials.

9. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** The CONTRACTOR covenants that it presently has no interest, and shall not have any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required under this Agreement.
10. **NOTICES:** All notices, requests, demands, or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing. Notices shall be given for all purposes as follows:

Personal delivery: When personally delivered to the recipient, notices are effective on delivery.

First Class Mail: When mailed first class to the last address of the recipient known to the party giving notice, notice is effective three (3) mail delivery days after deposit in a United States Postal Service office or mailbox. Certified Mail: When mailed certified mail, return receipt requested, notice is effective on receipt, if delivery is confirmed by a return receipt.

Overnight Delivery: When delivered by overnight delivery (Federal Express/Airborne/United Parcel Service/DHL WorldWide Express) with charges prepaid or charged to the sender's account, notice is effective on delivery, if delivery is confirmed by the delivery service.

Facsimile transmission: When sent by facsimile to the facsimile number of the recipient known to the party giving notice, notice is effective on receipt, provided that, (a) a duplicate copy of the notice is promptly given by first-class or certified mail or by overnight delivery, or (b) the receiving party delivers a written confirmation of receipt. Any notice given facsimile shall be deemed received on the next business day if it is received after 5:00 p.m. (recipient's time) or on a non-business day.

Addresses for purpose of giving notice are as follows:

To COUNTY: COUNTY OF MENDOCINO
501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010
Ukiah, CA 95482
Attn: Darcie Antle

To CONTRACTOR: Mendocino County Resources Conservation District
410 Jones Street, Ste C3
Ukiah, CA 95482
ATTN: Megan McCluer

Any correctly addressed notice that is refused, unclaimed, or undeliverable because of an act or omission of the party to be notified shall be deemed effective as of the first date that said notice was refused, unclaimed, or deemed undeliverable by the postal authorities, messenger, or overnight delivery service.

Any party may change its address or facsimile number by giving the other party notice of the change in any manner permitted by this Agreement.

11. USE OF COUNTY PROPERTY: With the exception of the chipper to be purchased with CAL FIRE grant funds under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall not use County property (including equipment, instruments and supplies) or personnel for any purpose other than in the performance of his/her obligations under this Agreement.
12. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PRACTICES PROVISIONS: CONTRACTOR certifies that it will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules and regulations pertaining to nondiscrimination in employment.
 - a. CONTRACTOR shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for applicants for employment placed as a result of this Agreement, state that it is an "Equal Opportunity Employer" or that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to their race, creed, color, pregnancy, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, national origin, age, religion, Veteran's status, political affiliation, or any other factor prohibited by law.

- b. CONTRACTOR shall, if requested to so do by the COUNTY, certify that it has not, in the performance of this Agreement, engaged in any unlawful discrimination.
 - c. If requested to do so by the COUNTY, CONTRACTOR shall provide the COUNTY with access to copies of all of its records pertaining or relating to its employment practices, except to the extent such records or portions of such records are confidential or privileged under State or Federal law.
 - d. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner so as to require or permit any act which is prohibited by law.
 - e. The CONTRACTOR shall include the provisions set forth in this paragraph in each of its subcontracts.
13. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR's employees shall comply with the COUNTY's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace. Neither CONTRACTOR nor CONTRACTOR's employees shall unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use controlled substances, as defined in 21 U.S. Code § 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any COUNTY facility or work site. If CONTRACTOR or any employee of CONTRACTOR is convicted or pleads *nolo contendere* to a criminal drug statute violation occurring at a County facility or work site, the CONTRACTOR, within five days thereafter, shall notify the head of the County department/agency for which the contract services are performed. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.
14. ENERGY CONSERVATION: CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency in the State of California Energy Conservation Plan, (Title 24, California Administrative Code).
15. COMPLIANCE WITH LICENSING REQUIREMENTS: CONTRACTOR shall comply with all necessary licensing requirements and shall obtain appropriate licenses. To the extent required by law, CONTRACTOR shall display licenses in a location that is reasonably conspicuous. Upon COUNTY's request, CONTRACTOR shall file copies of same with the County Executive Office.

CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to COUNTY that CONTRACTOR and its employees, agents, and any subcontractors have all licenses, permits, qualifications, and approvals of whatsoever nature that are legally required to practice their respective professions.

16. AUDITS; ACCESS TO RECORDS: The CONTRACTOR shall make available to the COUNTY, its authorized agents, officers, or employees, for examination any and all ledgers, books of accounts, invoices, vouchers, cancelled checks, and

other records or documents evidencing or relating to the expenditures and disbursements charged to the COUNTY, and shall furnish to the COUNTY, within sixty (60) days after examination, its authorized agents, officers or employees such other evidence or information as the COUNTY may require with regard to any such expenditure or disbursement charged by the CONTRACTOR.

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain full and adequate records in accordance with County requirements to show the actual costs incurred by the CONTRACTOR in the performance of this Agreement. If such books and records are not kept and maintained by CONTRACTOR within the County of Mendocino, California, CONTRACTOR shall, upon request of the COUNTY, make such books and records available to the COUNTY for inspection at a location within County or CONTRACTOR shall pay to the COUNTY the reasonable, and necessary costs incurred by the COUNTY in inspecting CONTRACTOR's books and records, including, but not limited to, travel, lodging and subsistence costs. CONTRACTOR shall provide such assistance as may be reasonably required in the course of such inspection. The COUNTY further reserves the right to examine and reexamine said books, records and data during the four (4) year period following termination of this Agreement or completion of all work hereunder, as evidenced in writing by the COUNTY, and the CONTRACTOR shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter, or mutilate said books, records, accounts, and data in any manner whatsoever for four (4) years after the COUNTY makes the final or last payment or within four (4) years after any pending issues between the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR with respect to this Agreement are closed, whichever is later.

17. DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS: CONTRACTOR shall maintain and make available to COUNTY for its inspection and use during the term of this Agreement, all Documents and Materials, as defined in Paragraph 8 of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR's obligations under the preceding sentence shall continue for four (4) years following termination or expiration of this Agreement or the completion of all work hereunder (as evidenced in writing by COUNTY), and CONTRACTOR shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter or mutilate said Documents and Materials, for four (4) years following the COUNTY's last payment to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.
18. TIME OF ESSENCE: Time is of the essence in respect to all provisions of this Agreement that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this Agreement.
19. TERMINATION: The COUNTY has and reserves the right to suspend, terminate or abandon the execution of any work by the CONTRACTOR without cause at any time upon giving to the CONTRACTOR notice. Such notice shall be in writing and may be issued by any county officer authorized to execute or amend the contract, the County Chief Executive Officer, or any other person designated by the County Board of Supervisors. In the event that the COUNTY should

abandon, terminate or suspend the CONTRACTOR's work, the CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination or abandonment. Said payment shall be computed in accordance with Exhibit B hereto, provided that the maximum amount payable to CONTRACTOR for its West Hills Ukiah and Fire Fuel Break Project Management shall not exceed \$1,484,300 payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination or abandonment or lack of funding.

20. **NON APPROPRIATION:** If COUNTY should not appropriate or otherwise make available funds sufficient to purchase, lease, operate or maintain the products set forth in this Agreement, or other means of performing the same functions of such products, COUNTY may unilaterally terminate this Agreement only upon thirty (30) days written notice to CONTRACTOR. Upon termination, COUNTY shall remit payment for all products and services delivered to COUNTY and all expenses incurred by CONTRACTOR prior to CONTRACTOR'S receipt of the termination notice.
21. **CHOICE OF LAW:** This Agreement, and any dispute arising from the relationship between the parties to this Agreement, shall be governed by the laws of the State of California, excluding any laws that direct the application of another jurisdiction's laws.
22. **VENUE:** All lawsuits relating to this contract must be filed in Mendocino County Superior Court, Mendocino County, California.
23. **WAIVER:** No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure, right or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.
24. **ADVERTISING OR PUBLICITY:** CONTRACTOR shall not use the name of County, its officers, directors, employees or agents, in advertising or publicity releases or otherwise without securing the prior written consent of COUNTY in each instance.
25. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Agreement, including all attachments, exhibits, and any other documents specifically incorporated into this Agreement, shall constitute the entire agreement between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. As used herein, Agreement refers to and includes any documents incorporated herein by reference and any exhibits or attachments. This Agreement supersedes and merges all previous understandings, and all other agreements, written or oral, between the parties and sets forth the entire understanding of the parties regarding the subject matter

thereof. This Agreement may not be modified except by a written document signed by both parties. In the event of a conflict between the body of this Agreement and any of the Exhibits, the provisions in the body of this Agreement shall control.

26. HEADINGS: Herein are for convenience of reference only and shall in no way affect interpretation of this Agreement.
27. MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement may be supplemented, amended or modified only by the mutual agreement of the parties. No supplement, amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
28. ASSURANCE OF PERFORMANCE: If at any time the COUNTY has good objective cause to believe CONTRACTOR may not be adequately performing its obligations under this Agreement or that CONTRACTOR may fail to complete the Services as required by this Agreement, COUNTY may request from CONTRACTOR prompt written assurances of performance and a written plan acceptable to COUNTY, to correct the observed deficiencies in CONTRACTOR's performance. CONTRACTOR shall provide such written assurances and written plan within thirty (30) calendar days of its receipt of COUNTY's request and shall thereafter diligently commence and fully perform such written plan. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that any failure to provide such written assurances and written plan within the required time is a material breach under this Agreement.
29. SUBCONTRACTING/ASSIGNMENT: CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract, assign or delegate any portion of this Agreement or any duties or obligations hereunder without the COUNTY's prior written approval.
 - a. Neither party shall, on the basis of this Agreement, contract on behalf of or in the name of the other party. Any agreement that violates this Section shall confer no rights on any party and shall be null and void.
 - b. Only the department head or his or her designee shall have the authority to approve subcontractor(s).
 - c. CONTRACTOR shall remain fully responsible for compliance by its subcontractors with all the terms of this Agreement, regardless of the terms of any agreement between CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors.
30. SURVIVAL: The obligations of this Agreement, which by their nature would continue beyond the termination on expiration of the Agreement, including without limitation, the obligations regarding Indemnification (Paragraph 2), Ownership of Documents (Paragraph 8), and Conflict of Interest (Paragraph 9), shall survive termination or expiration for two (2) years.

31. SEVERABILITY: If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Agreement to be illegal, unenforceable, or invalid in whole or in part for any reason, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions of them, will not be affected, unless an essential purpose of this Agreement would be defeated by the loss of the illegal, unenforceable, or invalid provision.
32. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WARRANTY: CONTRACTOR warrants and represents that it has secured all rights and licenses necessary for any and all materials, services, processes, software, or hardware ("CONTRACTOR PRODUCTS") to be provided by CONTRACTOR in the performance of this AGREEMENT, including but not limited to any copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, or right of publicity rights. CONTRACTOR hereby grants to COUNTY, or represents that it has secured from third parties, an irrevocable license (or sublicense) to reproduce, distribute, perform, display, prepare derivative works, make, use, sell, import, use in commerce, or otherwise utilize CONTRACTOR PRODUCTS to the extent reasonably necessary to use the CONTRACTOR PRODUCTS in the manner contemplated by this agreement.

CONTRACTOR further warrants and represents that it knows of no allegations, claims, or threatened claims that the CONTRACTOR PRODUCTS provided to COUNTY under this Agreement infringe any patent, copyright, trademark or other proprietary right. In the event that any third party asserts a claim of infringement against the COUNTY relating to a CONTRACTOR PRODUCT, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and defend the COUNTY pursuant to Paragraph 2 of this AGREEMENT.

In the case of any such claim of infringement, CONTRACTOR shall either, at its option, (1) procure for COUNTY the right to continue using the CONTRACTOR Products; or (2) replace or modify the CONTRACTOR Products so that that they become non-infringing, but equivalent in functionality and performance.

33. ELECTRONIC COPIES:

The parties agree that an electronic copy, including facsimile copy, email, or scanned copy of the executed Agreement, shall be deemed, and shall have the same legal force and effect as, an original document.

34. COOPERATION WITH COUNTY

Contractor shall cooperate with County and County staff in the performance of all work hereunder.

35. PERFORMANCE STANDARD

Contractor shall perform all work hereunder in a manner consistent with the level of competency and standard of care normally observed by a person practicing in Contractor's profession. County has relied upon the professional ability and training of Contractor as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement. Contractor hereby agrees to provide all services under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and standards of care, as well as the requirements of applicable Federal, State, and local laws, it being understood that acceptance of Contractor's work by County shall not operate as a waiver or release. If County determines that any of Contractor's work is not in accordance with such level of competency and standard of care, County, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to do any or all of the following: (a) require Contractor to meet with County to review the quality of the work and resolve matters of concern; (b) require Contractor to repeat the work at no additional charge until it is satisfactory; (c) terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 19 (Termination) or (d) pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity.

36. ATTORNEYS' FEES

In any action to enforce or interpret the terms of this agreement, including but not limited to any action for declaratory relief, each party shall be solely responsible for and bear its own attorneys' fees, regardless of which party prevails.

[END OF GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS]

EXHIBIT A

DEFINITION OF SERVICES

At the end of the project, CONTRACTOR shall ensure the three goals below are accomplished.

1. Ridgeline Fire Break and Shaded Fuel Breaks

CONTRACTOR shall create a ridgeline fire break consisting of mechanically-cleared brush using a bulldozer. The fire break will be approximately 1.1 miles long and run along a ridge top between Butler Ranch Road and Nelson Ranch Road. The fire break will be mechanically cleared of brush down to mineral soil up to 200 feet wide with an average width of 100 feet. CONTRACTOR shall remove or modify approximately 15 acres of biomass.

CONTRACTOR shall construct four individual shaded fuel breaks near populated areas which will create a buffer up to 200 feet. These breaks shall include about a 2-mile-long shaded fuel break along the northwestern portion of the Ukiah Valley from Low Gap Road to Orr Springs Road, a ~1.2-mile-long shaded fuel break around the Yokayo Rancheria, a 0.5-mile-long shaded fuel break around the Guidiville Rancheria, and approximately 1.2-mile-long shaded fuel break along the highway 101 just north of Nelson Ranch Road. Hand crews will utilize chainsaws, pole saws, and handtools to remove brush and dead ground fuels. Live trees which are 10-inch diameter or less may be thinned and removed. Retained trees will have branches pruned a minimum of 8 feet. Woody biomass will be chipped on-site and can be scattered or removed. Approximate coordinates of the project are below.

	N Terminus	Southern Terminus		
Low Gap to College	39.188631, - 123.222608	39.163725, - 123.228317		
101 Frontage	39.075797, - 123.177439	39.0627, - 123.163622		
Guidiville	39.141306, - 123.148503	39.138236, - 123.146617		
	W Terminus	E Terminus		
Ridge Top Dozer Line	39.059017, - 123.186078	39.057836, - 123.167017		
	NW Corner	SW Corner	NE Corner	SE Corner
Yokayo	39.090851, - 123.163726	39.088319, - 123.162157	39.090229, - 123.154913	39.088571, - 123.154844

2. Road Clearing - Ingress/Egress Fuel Reduction Along Roads

Fuel reduction along 18.1 miles of public and private roads shall be done by crews using power equipment and hand tools or by mastication to improve the ingress of emergency response personnel and improve the egress and evacuation of the public in the event of an emergency. CONTRACTOR shall thin vegetation at least 20 feet off either side of the road and vertical clearance will be provided to a minimum of 15 feet. CONTRACTOR shall chip or masticate the slash. Roads identified for treatment currently have limited access and are characterized by dense, high fuel loads. Targeted roads include: Oak Knoll Road, Robinson Creek Road, Fircrest Drive, Crestview Drive, Redemeyer Road, Rafello Drive, Hulda Drive, Watson Road, Vichy Hills Drive, Knob Hill Road, Ridge Road, Vichy Springs Road, Butler Ranch Road, and Spanish Canyon Drive. CONTRACTOR shall make every effort as practical to target the roads listed.

3. Curbside Chipping Service for Defensible Space Clearing

CONTRACTOR shall provide curbside chipping service for approximately 42 chipper days around the Ukiah Valley focusing on neighborhoods that are most at risk in the WUI area. Residents will thin vegetation within 100 feet of their homes to create defensible space and along their driveways for safe egress. CONTRACTOR shall ensure slash will be piled next to a road where a crew will chip the material. CONTRACTOR shall ensure the majority of chips will be disposed of at a local green waste processing facility.

1) Project Management

- a) CONTRACTOR shall manage the project to ensure its completion in accordance to the COUNTY's agreement with CAL FIRE and any applicable local, state, and federal regulations.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall prepare competitive request for proposals/bids for field subcontractors. Once the field subcontractors are selected, CONTRACTOR shall monitor subcontractors for fiscal and program compliance with CAL FIRE, other state, and federal regulations.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall complete the projects to align with the three goals of the project and according to CAL FIRE grant requirements.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall prepare and provide any documentation and written reports to the COUNTY as requested by CAL FIRE.
- e) The project locations specified in Exhibit E—Ukiah Valley Fuel Reduction and Fire Break Project Map is to be used as a visual aid. If there is a discrepancy between Exhibit E and the text of the Contract, the text of the Contract shall prevail.

2) California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code, Section 21000, et. seq. Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15000 et. seq.) and all other local, State, and federal environmental laws. A copy of the certified CEQA document must be provided to COUNTY and STATE before any GRANT FUNDS are made available for any Project activity that could directly impact the environment (e.g. cutting, piling or burning bush, masticating, dozer work, etc.). CEQA compliance shall be completed within one (1) year from start date of the COUNTY's Agreement with the State.
- b) The proposed road clearing shall be conducted within the existing County of Mendocino right-of-way and is exempt as a maintenance activity, as is the chipping of slash and brush removed by homeowners. The proposed shaded fuel breaks will require CEQA analysis to determine if there is an applicable exemption. CONTRACTOR shall secure natural resource professionals to complete CEQA documentation, including archaeological and botanical surveys that may be required.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall be fully responsible for the preparation of an initial study and appropriate CEQA documentation (i.e. Notice of Exemption, Negative Declaration, or Mitigated Negative Declaration, etc.), circulation to state clearinghouse and all required notices and their posting with the Mendocino County Clerk as required by CEQA.

3) California Labor Code

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the California Labor Code for the project. Projects funded in whole or in part with grant funds may be public works projects under the Labor Code. Labor Code compliance requires the payment of prevailing wage. CONTRACTOR shall ensure field subcontractors and the project is registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations.

4) Equipment and Equipment Training

- a) Equipment purchased using GRANT FUNDS, wholly or in part, must be used for the project which it was acquired. The STATE retains a vested interest in the equipment for the useful life of the equipment, even after completion of the AGREEMENT. Equipment purchased using GRANT FUNDS cannot be used as collateral, financed, or sold without prior written approval from the STATE.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall purchase a chipper. The ownership of the chipper shall be with the CONTRACTOR upon completion of the project.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall properly train staff and/or subcontractors in operating the equipment before operating the equipment.

5) Reporting and Documentation

- a) CONTRACTOR shall promptly submit data or written reports as requested by the COUNTY.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall submit a final accomplishment report, final invoice with associated supporting documentation, and copies of materials developed using GRANT FUNDS, including but not limited to plans, educational materials, etc. within 30 days of Project completion.
- c) Greenhouse gas emissions must be calculated using the CARB Greenhouse Gas Quantification Methodology applicable to the grant program (<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/cci-quantification-benefits-andreporting-materials>).
- d) CONTRACTOR shall provide the appropriate materials for completing program quantification methodology. CONTRACTOR shall use the current reporting template provided by the STATE. The reporting shall be submitted to the COUNTY no less frequently than quarterly. In addition, COUNTY may request additional information in order to meet current CARB reporting requirements. The requirements are available on the CARB CCI Quantification, Benefits and Reporting Materials webpage: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/cci-quantification-benefits-and-reportingmaterials>

6) Outreach

- a) CONTRACTOR shall coordinate with the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council (MCFSC) and the Ukiah Valley Fire Authority (UVFA) to conduct an information and outreach campaign that will include press releases in the local paper, direct mailings, public meetings, meetings with specific neighborhood groups, website information, Internet announcements, Facebook postings and local radio announcements.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall make field visits or host workshops, whichever is more practical, to explain the project and obtain access agreements. In addition, a field day shall be organized for homeowners in the project area that will focus on home hardening and defensible space principles and techniques. CONTRACTORS shall ensure participants will have a chance to view properties that have various degrees of home hardening and defensible space and demonstrations will illustrate appropriate vegetation management techniques.
- c) The field day or workshop, whichever is more practical, shall occur prior to proposed "chipper days" to prepare homeowners for activities they will need to complete before participating.

- d) In the event that the landowner access is not available, substitutions can be made with consent of the CONTRACTOR, COUNTY, and CAL FIRE.

7) Program Acknowledgement

- a) Contractor shall report project and benefits information when requested by the COUNTY. This may include but not limited to funding expended, acres treated, GHG emissions, trees planted, disadvantaged community benefits, energy/water savings, job creation, and other co-benefits.
- b) All projects funded both fully and partially by the GGRF must clearly display, identify and label themselves as being part of the "California Climate Investments" program. The acknowledgement must contain the California Climate Investments and CAL FIRE logos as well as the following statement: *"Funding for this project provided by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection as part of the California Climate Investments Program."*
- c) A draft of the acknowledgement must be approved by the STATE prior to publication. For stationary projects, acknowledgement may include, but is not limited to, a sign on the project site. For other project types, such as vehicles, equipment, and consumer-based incentives, acknowledgement is encouraged by using a decal, sticker or other signage.

Guidance on California Climate Investments logo usage, signage guidelines, and high-resolution files are contained in a style guide available at:

www.caclimateinvestments.ca.gov/logo-graphics-request.

- d) In addition, all projects funded both fully and partially by GGRF must contain the following statement in public announcements or press releases on said projects: "West Hills Ukiah Fuels and Fire Break Project is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing GHG emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment— particularly in disadvantaged communities. The Cap-and-Trade program also creates a financial incentive for industries to invest in clean technologies and develop innovative ways to reduce pollution. California Climate Investments projects include affordable housing, renewable energy, public transportation, zero-emission vehicles, environmental restoration, more sustainable agriculture, recycling, and much more. At least 35 percent of these investments are located within and benefiting residents of disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, and low-income households across California. For more information, visit the California Climate Investments website at: www.caclimateinvestments.ca.gov."

8) Other provisions

CONTRACTOR shall permit periodic site visits by representative(s) of the COUNTY and/or STATE to ensure program compliance and that work is in accordance with the approved Project Scope of Work, including a final inspection upon Project completion.

9) Project Estimated Timeline

Task	Supports Goal	Activity	Estimated Timeline
1	1-3	Community outreach and meetings with homeowners to develop project support and obtain access agreements	Nov 1, 2019 – Feb. 28, 2021
2	1	Competitive procurement of RPF and other resource professionals	Dec 15, 2019 –Jan 15, 2020
3	1	Secure contractors for road clearing and chipping service	Aug 1, 2020 – Sep 30, 2020
4	1, 2	CEQA/Permitting	Nov 2019 - June 1, 2020
5	3	Home hardening and defensible space community field day	Nov 2019
6	3	Phase 1 Community Chipper Days	Dec 2019-May 2020
7	2	Phase 1 Road Clearing	Jan 2020-Apr 2020
8	1	Finalize fuel reduction plans and field layout. Review with planning committee.	Jun 2020 – Dec 2020
9	1	Secure contractors for shaded fuel breaks	Aug 1, 2020 – Sep 30, 2020
10	1	Construct shaded fuel breaks	Oct 2020 – May 2021
11	2	Phase 2 Road Clearing	Oct 2020 – Dec 2020
12	3	Phase 2 Community Chipper Days	Nov 2020 – Apr 2021
13	1-3	Grant reporting and final project summary	Jun 2021 – Aug 2021

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure all goals and components of the project, including but not limited to written reports and invoices, are completed and submitted to the COUNTY for review and approval before March 15, 2022.

[END OF DEFINITION OF SERVICES]

EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT TERMS

1. CONTRACTOR shall submit monthly invoices describing the tasks performed, the numbers of hours worked, and the total charges. Billing for services is expected to be completed within thirty (30) days of service provisions.
2. Contractor shall send invoices to
County of Mendocino
501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010
Ukiah, CA 95482
Attn: Darcie Antle
3. CONTRACTOR shall be compensated at the billable rates and allowable program components below.

A. Staff	
Executive Director	\$110 per hour
Senior Project Manager	\$110 per hour
Project Manager A	\$100 per hour
Project Manager B	\$75 per hour
Registered Professional Forester	\$90 per hour
B. Field Subcontractors	\$1,044,000
C. Travel and Per Diem	\$15,012
D. Supplies	\$8,600
E. Equipment	\$141,702
F. Safety Training	\$20,000

4. Mileage will be paid at the IRS reimbursable rate and includes mileage.
5. Payment under this AGREEMENT shall not exceed one million four hundred forty-three thousand (\$1,443,000) dollars for the term of this AGREEMENT.

[END OF PAYMENT TERMS]

EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Insurance coverage in a minimum amount set forth herein shall not be construed to relieve CONTRACTOR for liability in excess of such coverage, nor shall it preclude COUNTY from taking such other action as is available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise in law. Insurance requirements shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, Contractor's indemnity obligations under Paragraph 2 of this Agreement.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain insurance coverage as follows:

- a. Combined single limit bodily injury liability and property damage liability - \$1,000,000 each occurrence.
- b. Vehicle / Bodily Injury combined single limit vehicle bodily injury and property damage liability - \$500,000 each occurrence.

CONTRACTOR shall furnish to COUNTY certificates of insurance evidencing the minimum levels described above.

[END OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS]

EXHIBIT D

MENDOCINO COUNTY EPAYABLES INFORMATION

The County of Mendocino is currently making credit card payments to all of our vendors and suppliers who qualify. To qualify, vendors need to currently accept credit card payments. To achieve this more efficient form of payment, the County has partnered with Bank of America and their ePayables credit card program. This electronic initiative will yield many benefits to its participants:

- Expedited receipt of cash – electronic credit card payments provide cash flow benefits by eliminating mail and paper check float
- Elimination of check processing costs
- Remittance data transmitted with payment for more efficient back-end reconciliation
- No collection costs associated with lost or misplaced checks
- Reduced exposure to check fraud
- More efficient handling of exception items
- Fits with existing accounting software – requires no purchase of software, no modifications to existing accounts receivable system and no change to bank accounts.
- Going green with paperless electronic credit card payments help conserve the environment by eliminating printing and mailing of paper checks.

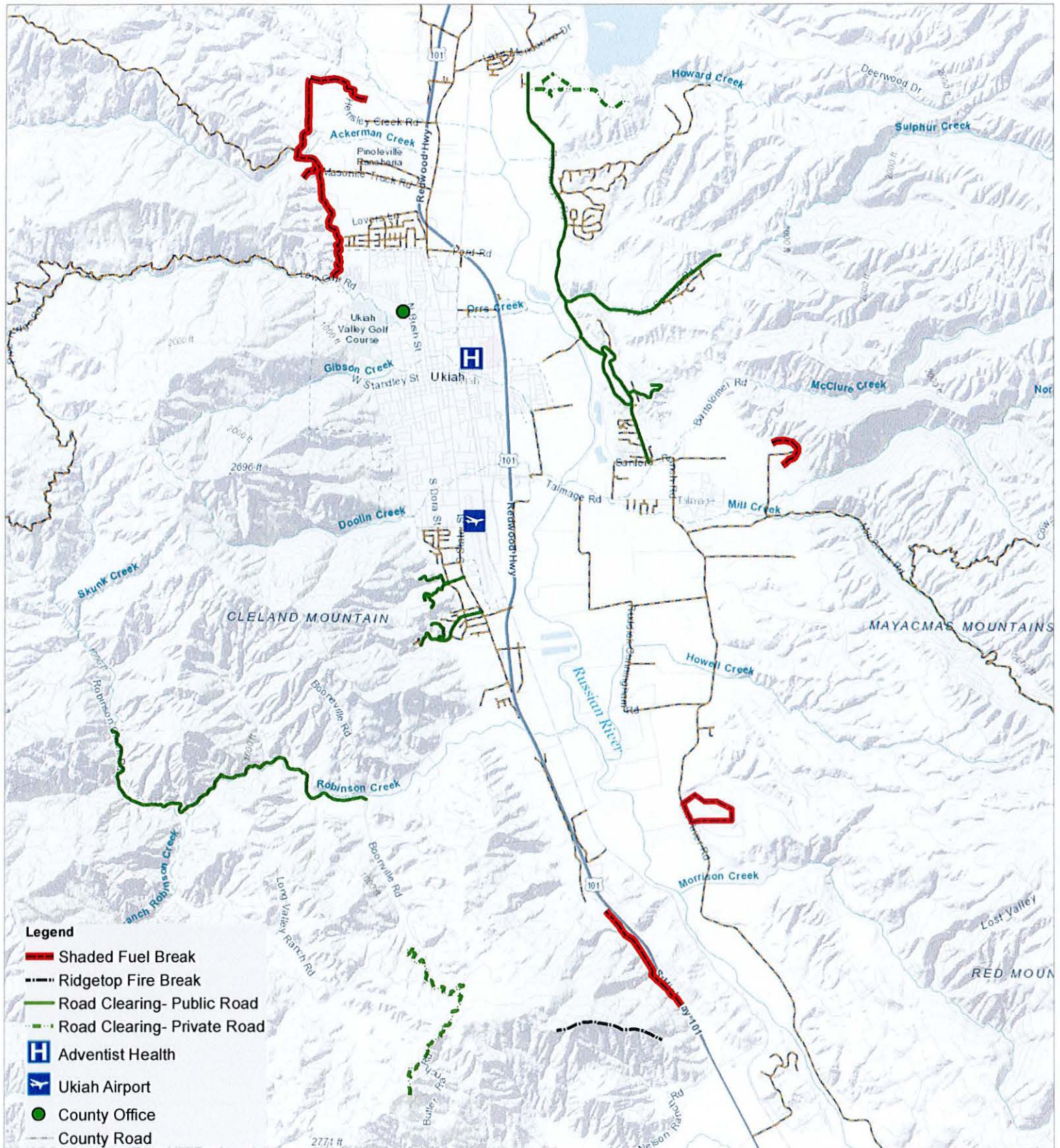
For information regarding the payment process, please contact Margaret Yates yatesm@mendocinocounty.org or 707-234-6869.

Additional information regarding the Bank of America Program is also available at:

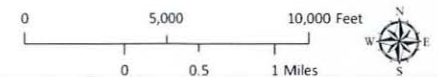
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Ukiah Valley Fuel Reduction and Fire Break Project

Exhibit E



Produced by LACO for Mendocino County
 Map originally produced December 2018
 Map revised October 2019
 Coordinate System: NAD 83, Calif. State Plane Zone II
 Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic
 Parcel Data: Mendocino County Information Services, October, 2017
 Aerial Imagery: US Dept. of Agriculture/ArcGIS Online mosaic
 Topographic Data: USGS 7.5 minute quad series Mount Diablo Base & Meridian
 Parcel numbers are for tax purposes only and do not represent legal or salable parcels.
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